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WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GRANT APPLICATIONS

On December 3, 2001, the California Department of Education (CDE) announced two Requests for Applications (RFA) for projects involving the coordination of youth programs between educational entities and Workforce Investment Act (WIA) youth stakeholders. The first, a memorandum to the County Superintendents of Education, Subject: *Youth System Capacity-building through Regional Coordination*, announced the intent to fund grants within the 11 California County Superintendents Educational Services Association (CCSESA) regions. Each county office receiving a grant is to establish and sustain coordination between education and WIA youth stakeholders in its CCSESA region.

The second memorandum was addressed to the County Superintendents, school districts that include grades 9 through 12, Regional Occupational Centers, and Local Workforce Investment Boards (LWIB). This RFA is entitled *Demonstration Projects for Enhancing Youth Connections and Access to One-Stop Systems.* Local education agencies (LEA), in partnership with LWIBs (including Youth Councils and One-Stop Career Centers), are eligible to apply.

The submission deadline for both RFAs is January 14, 2002. The grant period for both is February 5, 2002 through June 30, 2003. The WIA youth stakeholders are encouraged to work with County Superintendents of Education and other LEAs as requested and as applicable. Further information regarding the RFAs may be found at the following Web site: www.cde.ca.gov, under "Funding Opportunities." You may also contact applicable LEAs in your area or the CDE at (916) 323-4437.

/S/ BILL BURKE Chief